

BEHIND the SCENES at TiGER BEAT

Have you ever wondered just how an issue of Tiger Beat is put together? Have you thought about whether or not this star or that fave really wrote the article on which his name appears? I know you have from your wonderful letters and I decided it was time to let you become a part of the actual "putting together" of Tiger Beat. So, in this column every month, I'm going to take you "backstage" at Tiger Beat:



"OSMONDS ON TOUR"—Page 10—This feature is longer than most of our photo stories in TiGER BEAT—it runs a full four pages. Why? Because there were so many fabulous pictures of the Osmonds we couldn't leave even one out. I first got the idea for this super photo layout from YOU! How? Well, the minute The Osmonds started touring around the United States, their fans (namely you!) started sending in pictures of them on stage. The excitement was obvious and I knew you wanted to see more pictures of them on stage. But more than that, I wanted you to see what it's like backstage and traveling with this wonderful family. So, that's how we came up with this exclusive spread. Like Marie told you last month, one highlight of the trip was when the Osmonds met the Jackson Five in Toronto and none of the professional photographer's pictures turned out. It wasn't until the Osmonds got home and had Jimmy's role of film developed that they found he had captured the famous moment on film. Don't miss all the great pictures beginning on page 10!

"BOBBY CRIES OUT: 'I'M AFRAID GOOFY'S GOING TO DIE!'"—Page 27—This story came about in a most unusual way. When Bobby told me he'd bought a new dog, I not only couldn't wait to see him myself, but I asked Bobby if I couldn't come out to the house with our photographer for a special photo shooting with his new pup. He told me he'd have a day off "very soon" and we could get together. I called a week later and Bobby said that Goofy wasn't feeling well and he was taking him to the vet. We postponed the shooting for two more weeks and when I called the next time, Bobby was really upset. He told me, "I don't know what's wrong—Goofy won't eat and the vet's been giving him shots, but nothing's working." But Goofy did get better as you'll see in the story, but not because of any shots or pills from a veterinarian. It was something much more basic that made Goofy get well. It was that most important of all things—love, and you'll see just how it helped on page 27!



"YOU CAN INTERVIEW DAVID!"—Page 57—This is a very small article, and I wanted to point it out to you so you wouldn't miss it. 'Cause even though it's small, it's very important. You've written me many times saying "the next time you see David will you ask him such and such." I've done exactly that in the past and the answers to your questions have shown up in our Q & A column, TiGER TALK, Meow or sometimes in the form of a whole story. But now's your chance to ask David a personal question and see his answer word-for-word. You'll find out all the details about it on page 57 and I hope you'll start sending in questions right away. When I have a whole stack, I'll take them out to the Ranch and David and I will go over each one individually! So, if David hasn't had a chance to answer your questions in "Tell It Like It Is," here's one more chance to find out all you want to know!

So, now you've had a glimpse of how Tiger Beat "gets together" every month, but there's much more in store. I hope you enjoy being a part of YOUR Magazine as much as we enjoy bringing it to you!

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